### FORTIFICATIONS AND SEACOAST DEFENSES IN HAWAII.

## LETTER

FROM

# THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

TRANSMITTING

A COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR SUBMITTING AN ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR SITES FOR FORTIFICATIONS AND SEACOAST DEFENSES IN HAWAII.

January 13, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, Washington, January 10, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress copy of a communication from the Secretary of War of the 7th instant, submitting an estimate of appropriation for "Sites for fortifications and seacoast defenses, Territory of Hawaii," \$526,100. L. J. GAGE, Secretary. Respectfully,

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WAR DEPARTMENT, Washington, January 7, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to forward herewith for transmission to Congress a supplemental estimate (\$526,100) of appropriation "Sites for fortifications and seacoast defenses, Territory of Hawaii," required by the War Department for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903.

Very respectfully,

ELIHU ROOT, Secretary of War.

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Supplemental estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, by the Chief of Engineers, United States Army.

### WAR DEPARTMENT.

#### FORTIFICATIONS AND OTHER WORKS OF DEFENSE.

Sites for fortifications and seacoast defenses, Territory of Hawaii-Procurement of land needed as sites for fortifications and seacoast batteries for the defense of Honolulu and Pearl harbors, Territory of Hawaii (submitted). \$526, 100

Note.—This estimate is submitted with the object of procuring the land recom-Note.—This estimate is submitted with the object of procuring the land recommended for acquisition by the board of two engineer officers and two artillery officers, which was constituted by par. 27, Special Orders, No. 223, Headquarters of the Army, Adjutant-General's Office, September 27, 1901, to consider and report upon the subject of the defense of Pearl Harbor and the harbor of Honolulu.

Defenses at these harbors are urgently needed to protect the Territory of Hawaii and the property of the United States to be located there, and also to prevent internation of the property of the United States to be located there, and also to prevent internation of the located there.

ruption of cable communication between San Francisco, the Territory of Hawaii, and Manila—Honolulu being a station on the projected Pacific submarine cable.

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